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FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY DACCA  
AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI  
AMCONSUL CALCUTTA

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 017540

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, BG, IN, US

SUBJECT: FARAKKA

REF: DACCA 0375

1. DEPARTMENT SECONDS DACCA EMBASSY OFFICER'S CATEGORICAL DENIAL THAT ANY USG OFFICIAL HAS GIVEN TECHNICAL ADVICE TO THE BDG ON FARAKKA. WHILE WE DO NOT WANT TO RAISE THE ISSUE AGAIN WITH THE GOI, IF THE SUBJECT COMES UP YOU SHOULD REITERATE THE DENIAL. AT THE SAME TIME YOU MAY ALSO POINT OUT THAT WE UNDERSTAND THAT BOTH SIDES MAY HAVE ENGAGED ONE OR MORE AMERICANS, ACTING IN PRIVATE CAPACITIES, AS RIPARIAN ADVISERS. THESE INDIVIDUALS, HOWEVER, HAVE NO CONNECTION WITH THE USG.

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2. FYI: IN EARLY NOVEMBER, THE BANGLADESH EMBASSY HERE REQUESTED PAB TO ASSIST WITH TRAVEL OF AN AMERICAN NAMED O'DONALD BROOKSHEER. ACCORDING TO EMBASSY, BROOKSHEER WAS TO GO TO DACCA IN NOVEMBER TO ADVISE ON FARAKKA. (WE ASSUME HE IS QUALIFIED IN THE FIELD BUT WE HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO LEARN ANYTHING ABOUT HIS BACKGROUND AS THE SEVERAL CURRENT BIOGRAPHIC SOURCES WHICH WE CONSULTED

CONTAINED NO MENTION OF HIM). EMBASSY HAD SOMEHOW LOST  
PASSPORTS OF BROOKSHEER AND HIS WIFE JUST BEFORE THEY

WERE TO TRAVEL SO ASKED US TO FACILITATE ISSUANCE OF NEW  
PASSPORTS. WE DO NOT KNOW WHETHER THE BROOKSHEERS  
ACTUALLY ARRIVED IN DACCA AND WE HAVE HEARD NO MORE  
ABOUT THE MATTER. IT COULD BE, THOUGH, THAT BROOKSHEER  
IS THE AMERICAN TO WHOM THE INDIAN HIGH COMMISSION REFER-  
RED IN REFTEL.  
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